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AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION:

Please amend the Title of the Invention, appearing at the paragraph beginning at page 1, line 1, in the specification, by replacing the Title with the following replacement title, marked to show changes relative to the original version:

A MOTOR-DRIVEN STAPLER HAVING A DRIVER AND A CLINCHER UNIT THAT VERTICALLY RECIPROCATES

Please amend the specification by replacing the abstract with the following Replacement Abstract, which is marked to show changes relative to the original version.

A clean version of the Replacement Abstract incorporating the following changes is enclosed at the end of this paper.

~~A stapler involves a driver unit having a driver for punching out a staple toward sheets, a clincher unit having a clincher base with a clincher to clinch leg portion of the staple passing through the sheets, the driver unit being vertically separated from the clincher unit, wherein the clincher base is vertically reciprocally disposed, and the sheets inserted between the clincher base and the driver unit is clamped between the clincher base and the driver unit when the clincher base is reciprocated, the stapler further comprising a first driving motor provided for the driver unit to operate the driver and a second driving motor provided for the clincher unit to reciprocate the clincher base and operating the clincher.~~ A stapler having a driver unit vertically separated from its clincher unit, which has a clincher base with a clincher. The clincher base is disposed to vertically reciprocate, and sheets inserted between the base and driver unit are clamped between the base and the driver unit when the base is reciprocated. The stapler has a first motor to operate the driver, and a second motor to reciprocate the clincher base and operate the clincher. In sequence, the second motor reciprocates the base and makes the base clamp the sheets, and then stops; the first motor makes the driver drive out the staple, and then stops; the second motor makes the clincher clinch the staple legs having passed the sheets, the base is returned, and the second motor stops; and after clinching, the first motor returns the driver to the initial position, and then stops.